

SENATE BILL 1580

By Briggs

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63,
Chapter 6, relative to licensure to practice
medicine.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-6-207(a)(1)(C), is amended by deleting the subdivision and by substituting instead the following language:

(C) Evidence of the satisfactory completion of:

(i) A one-year United States training program approved by the American Medical Association or its extant accreditation program for medical education, or its successor; or

(ii) A primary specialty training program that is accredited by the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada and that is of a duration of not less than four (4) years;

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-6-207(a)(1)(E), is amended by deleting the subdivision and by substituting instead the following language:

(E) Evidence of being legally entitled to live or work in the United States if the person is not a citizen of the United States or Canada;

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-6-207(a)(2)(E), is amended by deleting the subdivision and by substituting instead the following language:

(E) Evidence of being a citizen of the United States or Canada, or legally entitled to live or work in the United States; and

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-6-207(a)(2)(F), is amended by deleting the language "within three (3) months" and by substituting instead "within twelve (12) months".

SECTION 5. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-6-207(b), is amended by deleting the language "within seven (7) years" and by substituting instead "within ten (10) years", and is further amended by deleting the language "seven-year time frame" and by substituting instead "ten-year time frame".

SECTION 6. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-6-207, is amended by adding the following language as a new subsection (g):

(g) The board may issue a temporary license of limited duration to an international medical school graduate with demonstrated competency. A temporary license may be issued by the board in its discretion as special circumstances may require. The board may promulgate rules prescribing any other conditions or requirements with respect to the issuance of a temporary license pursuant to this subsection.

SECTION 7. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.